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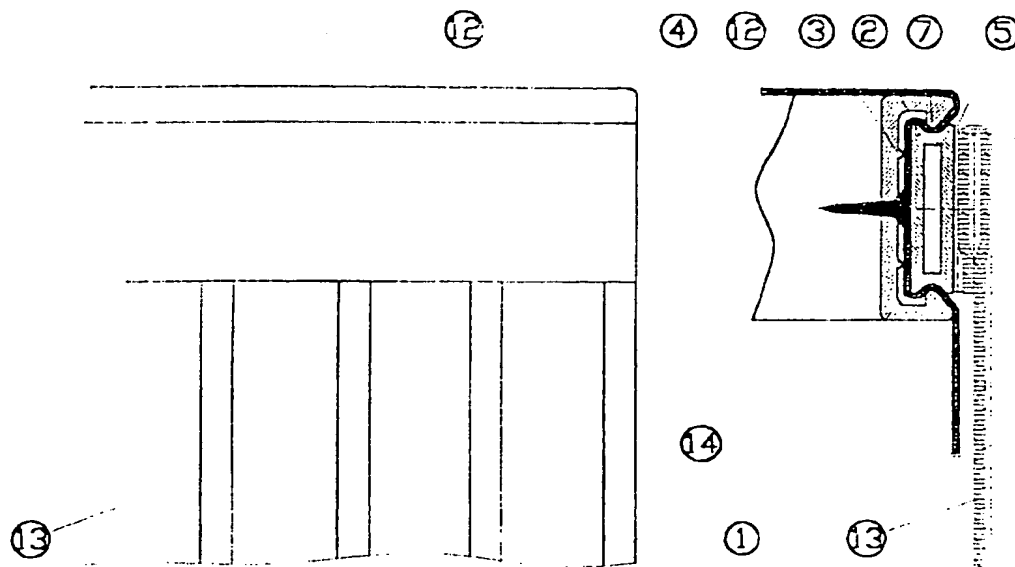
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(57) Abstract: The present invention consists of a system for fixing a cloth, such as a tablecloth (12) to a table (14) or other flat surface, also permitting to apply to the same cloth decorative elements, in particular what is known in this technical field as "draperies" (13). This system is constituted by a fixed element (1) that is attachable to the table (14) or other surface, inside which the cloth (12) is inserted and then blocked by a mobile element (2) that fits into the fixed elements (1). The mobile element (2) has a strip of Velcro (5) on its outer side, so that other accessories, such as "draperies" (13) for tablecloths, may be applied.

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